(d) No, Sir

(e) Does not arise

Telecasting of 'Progress in Pakistan' by Delhi Doordarshan

1534 SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Doordarshan had recently telecast the programme 'Progress in Pakistan'; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P UPENDRA);
(a) and (b) No, Sir. However, a programme titled "First Year of Democracy" was telecast by Doordarshan on 22-3. 1990. The programme was received through Ministry of External Affairs and telecast under their advice, after being suitably edited, to mark the National Day of Pakistan. A similar programme was telecast last year also.

Medical Superintendent NDMC Hospital

1535. SHRI MOHD. KHALEE-LUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in a case of alleged misappropriation of public funds, the Central Vigilance Commission had held the Medical Superintendent of NDMC hospital guilty and had recommended recovery of money in January, 1989;

(b) whether it is also a fact that instead of taking action the NDMC has been referring the case again and again to the Central Vigilance Com mission for review;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some more complaints of alleged misappropriation are pending inquiry by the CVC and Vigilance Department of NDMC against the same officer; and

(d) if so, the reasons for avoiding action against the corrupt official?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Difficulties in renewal of passports and visas in USA

1536. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the report appearing in Tribune dated 22-12-89 regarding the difficulties and harassment faced by the persons trying to renew their passports and get visas at the Indian Consulate in

(b) if so, what remedial steps have been taken by Government to streamline the working of the Indina Con-ulatein USA?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) (i) A high level team visited Consulate General of India New York and consequently one India-based officer was transferred to Delhi and another removed from the Visa Section. Besides 8 of the 16 locally recruited staff in the Consular Section were either dismissed or redeployed.

(ii) In respect of Indian Embassy. Washington, Consulate Generals in